

PAVING THE ROAD TO RECOVERY AND REUNIFICATION: COURTS, CHILD WELFARE, AND TREATMENT PARTNERS

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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The Child Welfare League of America estimates that 8.3 million children live with parents who abuse alcohol and other drugs. These children are nearly three times as likely to be abused and four times as likely to be neglected as other children not living with substance-abusing parents. It is estimated that 40 to 80 percent of the families of children who are substantiated by children's protective service (CPS) as being victims of abuse and neglect live in a home where substance abuse problems exist. Parental substance abuse is a factor in more than one-half of the cases of children entering the foster care system. Families with children in foster care that do not receive appropriate services to address alcohol and other drug use remain separated longer. In many cases, timely and comprehensive treatment of the substance abuse can eliminate the need for foster care placement.

Collaboration is key to increasing positive outcomes for substance-affected families within the child welfare system. Collaboration between the child welfare system and alcohol and drug services system will:

- Develop a common knowledge base about child welfare issues relating to alcohol and other drug problems.
- Emphasize the need for cross-training for child welfare professionals and alcohol and drug treatment providers.
- Promote effective information sharing across child welfare, substance abuse, and court systems, even though different confidentiality laws apply.
- Ensure that all systems consider the whole family when providing services.

The Governor's Task Force on Children's Justice has generously funded this conference with the following goals:

- Increase knowledge and understanding of substance-affected families in the child welfare system.
- Increase knowledge of the range of assessment and service options available in Michigan.
- Improve advocacy for the treatment needs of families and children involved with the child welfare system.
- Improve collaboration across systems.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The target audience for this conference is service providers and advocates who have a role with families and children involved in the child welfare system:

- Lawyer Guardians ad Litem
- Parents' attorneys
- Prosecutors and assistant attorneys general
- Judges, referees, and court staff
- Department of Human Services (DHS), tribal, and private agency child welfare workers
- Department of Community Health (DCH), Substance Abuse Coordinating Agencies, and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment providers
- Drug court personnel
- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
- Legislators and policy makers
- Other related child welfare professionals

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Day One, April 3, 2007

8:00 – 9:00	Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome <i>Honorable Elizabeth A. Weaver, Michigan Supreme Court Justice, Chair, Governor's Task Force on Children's Justice</i> <i>Introduced by: James Hennessey, Deputy Director, Children's Services, Department of Human Services</i>
9:15 – 10:30	Bridging the Gap Between the Court, Child Welfare and Treatment Systems <i>Carolyn Hardin, Director, National Drug Court Institute, Alexandria, VA</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 12:00	Research on Motivation and Human Behavior Change: The Critical Conditions of Desire, Ability, Reason, and Need <i>Michael Clark, M.S.W., L.M.S.W., Director, Center for Strength-Based Strategies, Mason, MI</i>
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 2:30	In MY Shoes: Youth Panel <i>JJ Hitch, Youth Advocate-Moderator</i> <i>Aarica</i> <i>Tiffany</i> <i>Sarah</i>
2:30 – 2:45	Break
2:45 – 4:15	Concurrent Workshops – Session A
A1	Fundamentals of Family Drug Treatment Court <i>Honorable Faye Harrison, Chief Probate and Presiding Judge, 10th Circuit Family Division</i> <i>Sandra Lindsey, CEO, Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority</i> <i>Jennifer Mercer, Program Director, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Child Abuse and Neglect (CAN) Council of Saginaw County</i> <i>Kent Gladfelder, Defense Attorney</i> <i>Roger Soule, Service Section Manager, Saginaw County DHS</i> <i>Michael Marsh, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Saginaw County</i>
A2	An Introduction to the Biology of Addiction and Drugs of Abuse <i>James Ypma, M.P.A., Health/Medicine/Communicable Disease, Substance Use Disorder Trainer, Network 180, Grand Rapids, MI</i>
A3	Promoting Permanency Planning for Families Affected by Perinatal Substance Abuse <i>Jean Twomey, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Psychiatry & Human Behavior, Brown Center for the Study of Children at Risk, Women & Infants Hospital, Providence, RI</i> <i>Rosemary Soave, M.S.W., L.C.S.W., Director, Brown Center for the Study of Children at Risk, Brown Medical School, Women and Infants Hospital, Providence, RI</i>
A4	Brain Issues for Child Welfare: Neuro-Research for Reasoning, Emotions, and Risk-Taking -Why Do Substance-Involved Parents & Youth Think and Act so Differently? <i>Michael Clark, M.S.W., L.M.S.W., Director, Center for Strength-Based Strategies, Mason, MI</i>
A5	Components of a Meaningful Substance Abuse Assessment <i>Steve Lehman, LLP, CAC-II, Addictions Program Supervisor, Woodlands Addictions Center, Cass County, MI</i>

- A6 Safety and Sobriety: Dual Need for Survivors of Domestic Violence**
Joyce Wright, Director of Training, Michigan Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board, Lansing, MI
- A7 The Intergenerational Impact of Addiction on Children and Families**
Meghan Wheeler, Project Director, National Drug Court Institute, Alexandria, VA
- A8 Cultural Competency**
Misty Moon-Lartridge, M.A., LLPC, Shelter Services Supervisor, YW-Domestic Assault Program, YWCA of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, MI

Day Two, April 4, 2007

8:00 – 8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 10:15 Fundamentals of Family Drug Treatment Court
Meghan Wheeler, Project Director, National Drug Court Institute, Alexandria, VA
Introduced by: Donald L. Allen, Jr., Director, Office of Drug Control Policy, Department of Community Health

Family Drug Court: Parents' Perspectives
Honorable Susan Dobrich, Judge, Cass County Probate Court, Cassopolis, MI,
Lori L.
Heather B.
Khari W.

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00 Concurrent Workshops – Session B

B1 A Long Way Back: The Nurturing Fathers Program for Men in Residential Drug Treatment
Barry Kaufman, Ph.D., Prevention Specialist, Clinton- Eaton- Ingham Community Mental Health, Lansing, MI

B2 Traumatized & Prenatally-Exposed Children & Adolescents: Recognition, Assessment, Intervention, Creative Systems, Collaboration, & Implications for the Legal System, Part 1
Mark A. Sloane, D.O., F.A..C.O.P., F.A.A.P., Medical Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI
James Henry, Ph.D., M.S.W., Executive & Clinical Director, Lakeside: A Sanctuary for Children, Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI

B3 Postpartum Depression Mothers: Is It Depression, Substance Abuse, or both?
Jim Windell, M.A., Court Clinical Psychologist, Psychological Clinic, Oakland County Circuit Court/Family Division, Pontiac, MI

B4 Dealing with the “Stages of Change” Model: Rapport Building
Michael Johnson, M.S.W., Director, Metropolitan Counseling Center, Detroit, MI

B5 Pain Management and Opioid and Prescription Medicine Misuse
Paul Chelminski, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Note: The above workshop meets a requirement for social work licensure.

B6 Recovery is a Family Process: Relapse, Prevention, and Reunification
Kim Sumner-Mayer, Ph.D., Center on Addiction and the Family (COAF), New York, NY

- B7** **The Truth About the Lie: 10 Myths About Native Americans and Alcoholism**
Don Coyhis, President and Founder, White Bison, Inc., Colorado Springs, CO
- B8** **Michigan Substance Abuse/Child Welfare Protocol for Screening, Assessment, Family Engagement for Retention and Recovery (SAFERR)**
Mary Chaliman, Foster Care Program Manager, Department of Human Services
Angela Smith, Woman's Treatment Specialist, Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy
Joyce Washburn, Substance Abuse Treatment Specialist, Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy
Ted Forrest, CPS Program Manager, Department of Human Services
- 12:00 – 1:00** **Lunch (provided)**
- 1:00 – 2:30** **Concurrent Workshops – Session C**
- C1** **Traumatized & Prenatally Exposed Children & Adolescents: Recognition, Assessment, Intervention, Creative Systems, Collaboration, & Implications for the Legal System, Part 2**
Mark A. Sloane, D.O., F.A.C.O.P., F.A.A.P., Medical Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI
James Henry, Ph.D., M.S.W., Executive & Clinical Director, Lakeside: A Sanctuary for Children, Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI
- C2** **Relapse Dynamics and Prevention for Addicted Adolescents**
Michael Johnson, M.S.W., Director, Metropolitan Counseling Center, Detroit, MI
- C3** **Drug-Endangered Children: Protecting Children in the Wake of America's Methamphetamine Pandemic**
Catherine Dixon, Ph.D., Clinical Director, Mississippi Children's Advocacy Center, Jackson, MS
- C4** **Cycle of Life Teaching**
Don Coyhis, President and Founder, White Bison, Inc., Colorado Springs, CO
- C5** **Balancing Substance Abuse Supervision and Services One Day at a Time: Interpreting and Understanding Drug Screens**
Michelle Foster, General Manager, JJAMS, LLC, Pontiac, MI
- C6** **Pain Management and Opioid and Prescription Medicine Misuse**
Paul Chelminski, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
Note: The above workshop meets a requirement for social work licensure.
- C7** **Addiction Treatment in the New Millennium: From Jail Cells to Brain Cells**
Mark Menestrina, M.D., Medical Director, Brighton Hospital Detox Unit; Medical Director, Southeast Michigan Community Alliance, Brighton, MI
- C8** **Women with Substance Use Disorders and Child Protective Services: Treatment Issues and Solutions**
Joyce Foster-Hartsfield, D.O., Vice President of Medical Services and Medical Director, Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Center, Inc., Memphis, MI
- 2:30 – 2:45** **Break**
- 2:45 – 4:00** **It's Monday Morning: What Do We Do Now?**
Nancy Young, Ph.D., Director, Children and Family Futures, National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare, Irvine, CA

CONFERENCE WELCOME

JUSTICE ELIZABETH A. WEAVER

A native of New Orleans, Justice Weaver graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Newcomb College. She served as a Law Review Editor at Tulane University Law School and graduated with highest honors (Order of Coif) in 1965. After practicing law in Louisiana, she moved to Michigan, where she practiced law and taught school.

Justice Weaver was elected as a Leelanau County probate and juvenile judge in 1974 and has been a judge ever since. In 1986 and 1992, she was elected to the Court of Appeals, and in 1994, to the Supreme Court. In 2002 she was re-elected to the Supreme Court for an additional 8 year term. From January 1999 to January 2001, she served as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court with administrative oversight of all Michigan courts.

Four governors and five Chief Justices have appointed Justice Weaver to serve on numerous state commissions and committees including: the Trial Court Assessment Commission, the Task Force for Children's Justice on Child Abuse and Neglect, the Commission on Criminal Justice, and the Committee on Juvenile Justice.

Justice Weaver is nationally recognized for her work in juvenile justice, and has appeared on *Good Morning America* and in *People Magazine*. She was voted "Jurist of the Year" in 1999 by the Police Officers Association of Michigan. In 2000, she received the Governor's Lifetime Achievement Award for Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and has earned many other honors and awards. In 2005, she was inducted into the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame and was named Alumnae of the Year for Newcomb College.

Justice Weaver is active in her community, church, and service organizations. She enjoys tennis, golf, and gardening.



PLENARY SESSIONS

BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN THE COURT, CHILD WELFARE, AND TREATMENT SYSTEMS

The foundation for paving the road to recovery and reunification is the ability of child welfare, legal, and treatment systems to form and sustain partnerships. Many challenges exist to the success of this partnership, including: varying professional philosophies, expected outcomes, expectations, and other issues. This session will focus on the importance of effective communication across different systems, identify barriers to interagency communication protocols, and suggest ways that these three entities can come together to effectively communicate and provide for the safety and best interests of children while assisting parents in the recovery process.

PRESENTER:

Carolyn Hardin, Director, National Drug Court Institute, Alexandria, VA

Carolyn Hardin is the Director of the National Drug Court Institute (NDCI), the training arm of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP). Ms. Hardin served as the Project Director for the National Drug Court Institute for the BJA Adult Drug Court Initiative Trainings. She currently travels nationally and internationally assisting drug court teams with planning and operating successful drug court programs. Along with other NDCI staff and faculty, she oversees the “Ensuring Sustainability Project” to assist drug court teams to develop a strategic plan for funding their drug court programs.

THE RESEARCH ON MOTIVATION AND HUMAN BEHAVIOR CHANGE: THE CRITICAL CONDITIONS OF DESIRE, ABILITY, REASON, AND NEED

How one understands motivation with substance-involved clients will directly affect what one does (or doesn't do) to increase motivation. Join this keynote address for a research-based look at the questions, “Why do people change?” “How do people change?” “What is motivation and how can professional staff raise motivation with child welfare clients?” The principal motivational constructs of *importance, confidence, and readiness* will be reviewed.

It is crucial to understand that some well intentioned efforts with families involved with the child welfare system can actually make them more “stuck” in the problem. Consider that those providing interventions with substance-involved clients will often make a common mistake: When clients come before us, we immediately focus on telling them how to change and give them prescriptive advice for what to do—while we miss the critical focus that they're back trying to make a decision and find the commitment to change. Motivation is a state – and a state that can be influenced! The “good news” for the child welfare field is that we no longer have to wait for clients to become motivated. Find out how to spot when a client has “turned the corner.” Increase your understanding and vigilance to the conditions that foretell when change is imminent and *what can be done to increase the conditions necessary for change to occur*. Stop the arguing – learn how to bypass resistance to start families moving toward healthy outcomes.

PRESENTER:

Michael D. Clark, M.S.W., L.M.S.W., Director, Center for Strength-Based Strategies, Mason, MI

Michael D. Clark is a therapist, consultant and trainer who has more than 25 years of direct practice experience with mandated clients. He currently directs the Center for Strength-Based Strategies, a training and technical assistance organization for direct practice skill-building located near Lansing,

Michigan. Michael served as one of the first consultants to bring change-focused strategies to the field of criminal justice (law and courts), publishing more than 20 articles and book chapters, including a number of essays that were the first of their kind for several disciplines working with court-mandated clients.

IN MY SHOES

This plenary session will give conference attendees a fresh perspective on individual youth's situations while dealing with substance abuse. These young adults have personally struggled with substance abuse or have suffered difficult times with their parents' addiction problems. Come listen to the other side of the story; it can change the way you do your job.

PRESENTERS:

JJ Hitch is 20 years old and entered foster care, with his three younger siblings, when he was 14. He entered foster care due to both of his parents' addictions issues. Since leaving foster care, JJ has become an advocate for youth in the foster care system. He has worked with a youth board in Macomb County, and has worked with the state on policy reform. Last summer, JJ became a 2006 FosterClub intern and advocated nationally for the interests of youth in foster care. JJ is now studying Communications at Oakland University, and is pursuing a career in politics.

Aarica Redmond is 21 years old and entered foster care at the age of 12, when her mother's addiction to crack cocaine led to child neglect. She had three placements with relatives before her case closed when she was 16. She is now a junior at Oakland University majoring in Sociology, and is an aspiring model. Aarica is currently the President of the Macomb County SPIRIT Youth Board. She lives on campus and works for Oakland University's Housing Department as a Program Supervisor.

Tiffany is 20 years old and entered foster care, with her younger sister, when she was 12. Her mother had substance abuse problems that led them to be homeless for approximately a month. Upon entering foster care, she moved around the state with her sister and eventually back to her old neighborhood. Tiffany now lives on her own and is pursuing her education while working full-time.

FUNDAMENTALS OF FAMILY DRUG TREATMENT COURT

Family drug treatment courts (FDTC) foster a collaborative approach to justice, children's protection services, and treatment to effectively address child abuse and neglect cases where there is a determination of parental substance abuse or dependence. FDTCs protect the best interests of the child through the committed efforts of the judge, treatment team, and parent to address issues of substance abuse or dependence, and ensure the safety, timely permanency, and overall well-being of children. This workshop will discuss the concept of FDTCs and the use of the power of the court to engage and retain parents in substance abuse treatment by demonstrating the benefits of a multi-disciplinary collaboration in child welfare cases where substance abuse is a factor in court involvement. Examples from across the country will demonstrate that there are many ways to construct a FDTC by personnel and case management drawn from existing community resources for critical FDTC functions. You will hear first-hand from FDTC graduates about their experiences and success.

PRESENTERS:

Meghan M. Wheeler, Project Director, National Drug Court Institute, Alexandria, VA

Meghan Wheeler is the Project Director for the National Drug Court Institute, Education, Research and Training Division of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, where she manages the activities and functions related to the Family Drug Court Planning Initiative and Family Drug Court Technical Assistance Project. Ms. Wheeler also currently serves as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) in Richland County Juvenile Court, Ohio. Ms. Wheeler has developed and delivered

presentations and provided training and technical assistance for national, regional, state, and local conferences and events on topics related to substance abuse and the courts.

IT'S MONDAY MORNING: WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

This plenary session will present the practical steps and “take-home lessons” that begin to answer the question, “What do we do Monday morning?” It presents practical steps to create and sustain collaboration among the three systems: child welfare, substance abuse treatment, and the courts. Tools for sustaining collaborative programs will be presented, and the central issue of sustainability at the state and local levels will be addressed. Key steps to achieving sustainability for innovative projects and systems change will be discussed.

PRESENTER:

Nancy Young, Ph.D., Director, Children and Family Futures, Irvine, California

Dr. Nancy Young is the Director of Children and Family Futures, a California-based research and policy institute whose purpose is to improve outcomes for children and families affected by substance use disorders. Dr. Young also serves as the Director of the federally-funded National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare (NCSACW) that provides technical assistance to states in support of their efforts to enhance cross-system collaboration for the benefit of affected families. The NCSACW develops and disseminates information on advances in policy and practice in this field. Dr. Young has authored many policy analyses and evaluation reports on substance abuse, welfare, and child welfare for organizations, such as the Child Welfare League of America, the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. She has worked as a consultant to more than 30 states and regional offices on substance abuse prevention and treatment issues affecting families.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS

A1

DEVELOPING A FAMILY DEPENDENCY TREATMENT DRUG COURT NO MATTER WHAT: VISIONARY LEADERSHIP AND LOCAL CROSS-SYSTEM COLLABORATION

Honorable Faye Harrison, Chief Probate and Presiding Judge, 10th Circuit Family Division
Sandra Lindsey, CEO, Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority

Jennifer Mercer, Program Director, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Child Abuse and Neglect (CAN) Council of Saginaw County

Kent Gladfelder, Defense Attorney

Roger Soule, Service Section Manager, Saginaw County DHS

Michael Marsh, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Saginaw County

This workshop will tell the story of the development of a common vision, planning elements, and cross-system collaboration necessary to develop a Family Dependence Treatment Drug Court. The Saginaw Family Division of the 10th Circuit Court and its partners will present critical information and strategies that created a common vision and cross-system leadership to plan for the development of a new treatment court. This treatment court is designed to better meet the needs of families who come to the attention of Children's Protective Services if a family member's substance abuse or addiction is a significant contributing factor in the child abuse and neglect allegations. The panel will present information about how the court and its partners developed trust and productive working relationships among stakeholders, and developed a common vision and purpose. The panel will discuss how the team found creative ways to sustain planning and development activities without new resources, conceptualized and produced grant submissions, and are planning for the redirection of existing resources across all systems to support the vision and implementation of the new court.

A2

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BIOLOGY OF ADDICTION AND DRUGS OF ABUSE

James Ypma, M.P.A., Health/Medication/Communicable Disease/Drugs of Abuse: System Trainer, Network 180, Grand Rapids, MI

This workshop will present the classes of drugs currently used by Americans today, including known drugs such as heroin, and new designer "club" drugs. Physical and behavioral signs of use, drug metabolism, brain effect, and overdose symptoms, including a description of the different drug categories and their impact on the body, will also be presented. This session includes a format of lecture, activities, slides of the drugs and paraphernalia used in substance abuse, and fact versus myths of addicted individuals. This session is designed for those individuals who would like to increase their knowledge in recognizing drug use, comprehending street slang, and understanding the complex characteristics of substance use.

A3

PROMOTING PERMANENCY PLANNING FOR FAMILIES AFFECTED BY PERINATAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Jean Twomey, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Psychiatry & Human Behavior, Brown Center for the Study of Children at Risk, Women & Infants Hospital, Providence, RI

Rosemary Soave, M.S.W., L.C.S.W., Director, Vulnerable Infants Program of Rhode Island, Brown Center for the Study of Children at Risk, Women & Infants Hospital, Providence, RI

Growing awareness of the complex needs of substance-using mothers, immediate and long-term concerns about their children, and legislation mandating accountability for permanency planning add pressure to already overtaxed families and social service system. The Vulnerable Infants Program of Rhode Island (VIP-RI) is an innovative program that was developed to work with families and social service systems to effectively reach permanency

planning decisions for substance-exposed infants within the guidelines of the Adoption and Safe Families Act (ASFA). With an appreciation of the pivotal role that the courts play in reunification decisions, a collaborative effort between VIP-RI and family court led to the establishment of a Family Treatment Drug Court (FTDC) specifically for perinatal substance users and their families.

We have begun to study the outcomes of participants of FTDC and their infants. Factors that affect the ability of substance-using parents to successfully become the permanent placement for their infant, including home environments, were examined. These factors include substance use, mental health, parenting attitudes, and child abuse potential. At 30 months, infant attachment, behavior, and cognition were assessed. This presentation has relevance to clinical practice, research, and public policy related to families affected by perinatal substance use.

A4

BRAIN ISSUES FOR CHILD WELFARE: NEURO-RESEARCH FOR REASONING, EMOTIONS, AND RISK TAKING-WHY DO SUBSTANCE-INVOLVED PARENTS & YOUTH THINK AND ACT SO DIFFERENTLY

Michael Clark, M.S.W., L.M.S.W., Director, Center for Strength-Based Strategies, Mason, MI

Trauma and a lifestyle beset by addictions or home problems can slow down adolescents' and young adult parents' emotional maturation and decision-making capacities – regardless of their actual age! Misunderstandings and confusion abound – not only for the child welfare clients, but also for their families, court staff, and treatment professionals. Professionals who work with the child welfare population are often insufficiently informed about what substance-involved clients can and can't do based on the client's developmental abilities or limitations.

This workshop will explore adolescent and young adult brain chemistry, highlight critical mistakes made during court interventions, and suggest ways professionals can react to the

behavior of this population to effectively intervene.

A5

COMPONENTS OF A MEANINGFUL SUBSTANCE ABUSE ASSESSMENT

Steve Lehman, LLP, CAC-II, Addictions Program Supervisor, Woodlands Addictions Center, Cass County, MI

This workshop will give an overview of diagnostic categories for meeting "abuse" and "dependency" criteria, identify common testing instruments used with substance abuse assessments, and examine forms of denial. Information regarding critical secondary sources of information for corroboration of self-reported history will be presented. This workshop will also highlight "Stages of Change." "Stages of Change" addresses denial, identifies the tasks of the professional working with clients in each stage, and provides a framework for examining relapse that is most helpful for the client, the client's significant others, and professionals.

A6

SAFETY AND SOBRIETY: DUAL NEED FOR SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Joyce Wright, Director of Training, Michigan Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board, Lansing, MI

Safety is strongly compromised when domestic violence and chemical dependence co-occur. While both problems frequently reside side by side, research shows neither causes the other. Individually, each can be chronic, progressive, and lethal. Together, the severity of injuries and lethality rates climb for chemically-dependent battered women (Dutton, 1992). Additionally, a significant number of survivors with substance abuse issues experience discrimination and multiple barriers to service.

This workshop will briefly discuss the challenges of assisting the survivor when the problems of substance abuse and domestic violence co-exist, and offer recommendations designed to promote responses that enhance survivor safety, reinforce batterer's

accountability and support recovery from chemical dependency.

A7

THE INTERGENERATIONAL IMPACT OF ADDICTION ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Meghan Wheeler, *Project Director, National Drug Court Institute, Alexandria, VA*

Parents and their children can break free of intergenerational substance abuse patterns when they experience alternative ways of living in a stable setting, with concrete physical and emotional supports. Providing opportunities in which parents and children can feel secure, and are afforded chances to experience success—in social interactions, academic pursuits, physical health, and specific tasks of daily functioning—can help empower them to recover from the scars of substance abuse. When working with parents who are chemically dependent, it is essential to recognize the myriad of factors that have had an impact on their progression to addiction and will continue to affect their recovery process. It is equally important to recognize the various ways parental addiction affects their children. This session identifies the way that multi-disciplinary teams can work with families to facilitate healing, promote parental recovery, and help parents prevent substance abuse in their children.

A8

CULTURAL COMPETENCY

Misty Moon-Lartridge, *M.A., LLPC, Shelter Services Supervisor, YW-Domestic Assault Program, YWCA of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, MI*

Cultural competency is a point on a continuum that represents the policies and practices of an organization, or the values and behaviors of an individual, that enables that organization or person to interact effectively in a culturally diverse environment. In this workshop, participants will learn the difference between cultural competence and cultural diversity, the guiding principles of cultural competency, and its value as related to case management.

B1

A LONG WAY BACK: A PARENTING PROGRAM FOR MEN IN RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Barry Kaufman, *Ph.D., Prevention Specialist, Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Community Mental Health, member of the Ingham County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition, Lansing, MI*

Substance-abusing fathers face a long road back to reconnecting with their children and families. This presentation will describe the adaptation of Mark Perlman's "Nurturing Fathers Program" in residential drug treatment. An overview of the program will be provided, as well as discussion of some of the challenges and issues men face as they go through the program and prepare for re-entry into the community, such as: shifting from "doing time" to "using time," managing emotions, coping with stress, moving from survival and self-focus to nurturing and caring for others, variation of communication styles between men and women, and challenges of re-entry.

B2

Traumatized & Prenatally Exposed Children & Adolescents: Recognition, Assessment, Intervention, Creative Systems, Collaboration, & Implications for the Legal System, PART 1

Mark A. Sloane, *D.O., F.A.C.O.P., F.A.A.P., Medical Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI*

James Henry, *M.S.W., Ph.D., Executive & Clinical Director, Lakeside: A Sanctuary for Children, Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI*

This workshop will describe effective screening, comprehensive assessment techniques, and the potential impact of the legal system for children and adolescents exposed to traumatic stress and prenatal alcohol.

Please note: This is a 2-part workshop. The presenters have requested that no one attend part 2 unless they have attended part 1.

B3**POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION MOTHERS: IS IT DEPRESSION, SUBSTANCE ABUSE, OR BOTH?**

James Windell, M.A., Court Clinical Psychologist, Psychological Clinic, Oakland County Circuit Court, Pontiac, MI

Postpartum depression affects up to 20 percent of new mothers. Their depression may be crippling and we know that it can have a serious, long-lasting effect on their children. In addition, a significant number of pregnant women abuse alcohol and drugs. In assessing and offering treatment, how do you know if a depressed mother has postpartum depression, is abusing substances, or is both depressed and a substance abuser? What are effective treatments for postpartum depression and substance abuse for a new mother? This workshop will discuss the assessment process and effective forms of treatment for mothers.

B4**DEALING WITH "STAGES OF CHANGE" MODEL: RAPPORT BUILDING**

Michael Johnson, M.S.W., Director, Metropolitan Counseling Center, Detroit, MI

Many substance-abusing clients in the child welfare system are described as "resistant" or are characterized as possessing a "low level of functioning." This workshop thoroughly explains lifestyles and thinking patterns of substance-abusing clients, and provides cognitive approaches to working with today's addict. The workshop will focus on using the "Stages of Change" model to build rapport with the client, including the need for the treatment provider to "shift gears" in how he or she has approached clients in the past. Unresolved issues from childhood, such as shame and abandonment, impede treatment progress and delay a possible family reunification. Learn some concrete skills to assist you in working more effectively with your clients by understanding the process of therapy from the client's perspective.

B5**PAIN MANAGEMENT AND OPIOID AND PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE MISUSE**

Paul Chelminski, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

National surveys and clinical data have documented an explosion of prescription opioid misuse over the past decade. This epidemic has disproportionately affected teenagers and adolescents. This increase in opioid misuse has coincided with a dramatic expansion of opioid use to treat non-cancer pain. Attendees will learn the epidemiologic and clinical impact of chronic pain and substance abuse, and learn strategies to strike a balance between the rational and compassionate treatment of pain and curtailing the epidemic of prescription opioid abuse.

B6**RECOVERY IS A FAMILY PROCESS: RELAPSE AND REUNIFICATION**

Kim Sumner-Mayer, Ph.D., Center on Addiction and the Family (COAF), New York, NY

This workshop provides an overview of family dynamics involved with addiction recovery and reunification for court-involved families. It will highlight normal (but problematic) processes, including parental ambivalence and heightened relapse potential that can sabotage successful reunification. This workshop will offer approaches and tools for safeguarding children while moving ahead with reunification planning for parents and families in recovery.

B7**THE TRUTH ABOUT THE LIE: 10 MYTHS ABOUT NATIVE AMERICANS AND ALCOHOLISM**

Don Coyhis, President and Founder, White Bison, Inc., Colorado Springs, CO

The goal of this workshop is to address Wellbriety as a means to be both sober and well. Wellbriety means to have come through recovery from chemical dependency and to go beyond survival to thrive in his or her life and in the life of the community. The “well” part of Wellbriety means to live the healthy parts of the principles, laws, and values of traditional culture. It means to heal from dysfunctional behaviors in addition to moving beyond the chemical dependency itself. This includes codependency, Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOA) behavior, domestic or family violence, gambling, and other shortcomings of character.

Objectives of this workshop include:

1. Increased understanding of alcoholism and addiction recovery for individuals as well as the family and community.
2. Increased understanding of the Recovery Management Model.
3. Lessons learned from the Wellbriety movement and where we can go from here.

B8**MICHIGAN SUBSTANCE ABUSE/CHILD WELFARE PROTOCOL FOR SCREENING, FAMILY ENGAGEMENT, FOR RETENTION AND RECOVERY (SAFERR)**

Mary Chaliman, Foster Care Program Manager, Department of Human Services
Angela Smith, Woman’s Treatment Specialist, Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy
Joyce Washburn, Substance Abuse Treatment Specialist, Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy
Ted Forrest, CPS Program Manager, Department of Human Services

The Michigan Substance Abuse Child Welfare State Team is a collaborative state workgroup that has been meeting since 1999 to address

issues of substance use and abuse by parents and caregivers of children involved in the child welfare system. As part of an Intensive Technical Assistance Grant from The National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare, the SACW State Team developed a model protocol for courts, substance abuse treatment providers, and child welfare workers to use when working with substance-abusing clients. This workshop will:

- Discuss why it is important for the court, child welfare system, and substance abuse system to work together.
- Present an overview of the protocol.
- Provide examples of areas that have implemented aspects of the protocol in their communities.

C1**Traumatized & Prenatally Exposed Children & Adolescents: Recognition, Assessment, Intervention, Creative Systems, Collaboration, & Implications for the Legal System, PART 2**

Mark A. Sloane, D.O., F.A.C.O.P., F.A.A.P., Medical Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI
James Henry, M.S.W., Ph.D., Executive & Clinical Director, Lakeside: A Sanctuary for Children, Director, Center for Behavioral Pediatrics, Kalamazoo, MI

This workshop will describe effective screening, comprehensive assessment techniques, and the potential impact of the legal system for children and adolescents exposed to traumatic stress and prenatal alcohol.

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C2**RELAPSE DYNAMICS AND PREVENTION FOR ADDICTED ADOLESCENTS**

*Michael Johnson, M.S.W., Director,
Metropolitan Counseling Center, Detroit, MI*

This workshop will explore adolescent development issues that make treatment difficult, including a look at cognitive development, language skill development, boundary system establishment, the adolescent use of activity and action rather than talking to express their emotions, devaluing of adults, elevated importance of peers, "personal fable thinking," and lack of social and problem-solving skills. Successful treatment strategies designed for adolescents, rather than the traditional addiction treatment model, will be discussed, and specific treatment tips and approaches will be highlighted.

C3**Drug-Endangered Children: Protecting Children in the Wake of America's Methamphetamine Pandemic**

*Catherine Dixon, Ph.D., Clinical Director,
Mississippi Children's Advocacy Center,
Jackson, MS*

This workshop will expose the dangers children face living in an environment in which adults use or manufacture methamphetamine, and will address the team response to these children, including suggestions for forensic interviewing.

C4**CYCLE OF LIFE TEACHING**

Don Coyhis, President and Founder, White Bison, Inc., Colorado Springs, CO

Many individuals lack the nurturance and support during childhood to grow up emotionally healthy. Concepts of intimacy, trust, and faith in oneself are universal. In Native American culture, the Creator has a design of how we are to grow up healthy. Using this cultural framework, this workshop will explain the 8 stages of development. The workshop will also discuss how both we, and the

clients we serve, can recapture any of these 8 stages of development at any age and will highlight methods and resources to assist with emotional healing.

C5**BALANCING SUPERVISION AND SERVICES ONE DAY AT A TIME: INTERPRETING AND UNDERSTANDING DRUG SCREENS**

Michelle Foster, General Manager, JJAMS, LLC, Pontiac, MI

This workshop will discuss keys to successful drug-testing, as well as testing methods and options. Issues such as why clients should be tested for alcohol and drugs, who should be tested, and how often they should be tested will be addressed. The workshop will also highlight the types of drug testing available, why clients should be monitored, what adulterants are, and why drug testing should include testing for adulterants.

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C7**ADDICTION TREATMENT IN THE NEW
MILLENNIUM: FROM JAIL CELLS TO BRAIN
CELLS**

*Mark Menestrina, M.D., Medical Director,
Brighton Hospital Detox Unit; Medical
Director, Southeast Michigan Community
Alliance, Brighton, MI*

This workshop will review the biological basis of addiction, and discuss the evolution of addiction treatment from a moral problem to a disease entity. The history of methadone treatment in the United States will serve as an example of this transition.

The distinction between abstinence and recovery will be explored, and specific pharmacological agents will be reviewed including methadone, buprenorphine, disulfiram, acamprosate, and naltrexone, as well as the recent Prometa Protocol.

Finally, specific challenges that exist in treating addictive disorders will be outlined from both sociological and treatment provider perspectives.

C8**WOMEN WITH SUBSTANCE-USE DISORDERS
AND CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES:
TREATMENT ISSUES AND SOLUTIONS**

*Joyce Foster-Hartsfield, D.O., Vice President of
Medical Services and Medical Director, Sacred
Heart Rehabilitation Center, Inc., Memphis, MI*

The problem of child abuse and neglect by women with substance-use disorders is a complex problem necessitating a multifaceted, integrated approach. In many instances, the situation is complicated by co-occurring mental disorders, domestic violence, and little, if any, reliable family support for the woman or her children. This workshop will explore the role of the substance abuse treatment provider as a collaborator with Children's Protective Services. The workshop will also explore the role of the treatment provider as a link to other community resources that help to achieve the ultimate goal of family reunification.

REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE COSTS

THERE IS NO REGISTRATION COST TO ATTEND THIS CONFERENCE. The cost of the conference is generously funded through the Governor's Task Force on Children's Justice. All training materials, lunches, and refreshments during breaks are provided. Mileage and lodging will not be reimbursed and are the responsibility of individual attendees.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. However, there may be some exceptions to ensure geographic diversity and participation across professions. A confirmation letter will be sent to you approximately two (2) weeks before the training. ***Due to space limitations, no more than two (2) individuals per agency will be confirmed to attend without prior authorization by SCAO-Family Services.*** To seek prior authorization, contact Joy Thelen at 517-373-5322 or by e-mail at thelenj@courts.mi.gov.

Please return your registration as soon as possible to maximize your opportunity to attend. Your registration is a commitment to attend the entire portion of the conference for which you register. Please do not register to attend this conference unless you have the scheduling flexibility and have received the necessary authorization to attend. If it is necessary to cancel after you have been confirmed to attend this conference, please contact Deborah Jensen as soon as possible so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Registrations may be transferred to another individual with prior notice to Deborah Jensen. Please note that onsite registration is not available.

Fill out and return the completed Conference Registration form no later than March 20, 2007.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

An application to offer Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for L.M.S.W.s, L.B.S.W.s and Certified Addiction Counselors has been submitted and approval is pending. Upon approval, we will provide CEUs at no charge to qualified individuals who attend the entire portion of the conference for which registered. To obtain CEUs, there will be forms to complete and a sign in/sign out sheet that must be signed in order to receive the certificate necessary to receive CEUs. There are no exceptions to these requirements.

LODGING INFORMATION

A limited block of overnight rooms has been reserved at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center at a rate of \$65 per night, and at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Lansing at a rate of \$65 per night for a single room and \$85 for a double room. These blocks of rooms will be released back to the hotels after March 5, 2007, so make your reservations early. We cannot guarantee these rates after the March 5th deadline.

Please note: You are responsible for your lodging expenses. To make your reservations, contact the Kellogg Hotel at (517) 432-4000 or the Radisson Hotel at (517) 482-0188. When making your reservation, please be sure to specify that you are attending the "Paving the Road to Recovery" conference to ensure you receive our special reduced rate.

The Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center is located on Michigan State University's campus at 55 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48824-1022. Directions can be found by going to the following websites: Campus Map: www.msu.edu/dig/msumap/ MapQuest: www.mapquest.com

If you have any questions, please call Deborah Jensen at (517) 482-7533.

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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

(Please print or type legibly, as this information will be used for your nametag.)

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ County: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____ Special Needs: _____

Email: _____

I will be attending: ☐ Day 1 (April 3) ☐ Day 2 (April 4) ☐ Both Days

I will be applying for: ☐ Social Work CEUs ☐ Certified Addiction Counselor CEUs

License Number: _____ (Must provide to receive your certificate.)

Please circle the workshop in each session that you would like to attend.

Workshop Session A (April 3, 2007, 2:45 – 4:15)

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Workshop Session B (April 4, 2007, 10:30 – 12:00)

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Workshop Session C (April 4, 2007, 1:00 – 2:30)

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Return completed registration form by March 20, 2007 to: Deborah Jensen, Children's Charter, 324 N. Pine St., #1, Lansing, MI 48933, Fax: (517) 482-2626, deborahjensen@childcrt.org.

For further information or if you require handicap access to facilities or special assistance at the program, please contact Deborah Jensen at (517) 482-7533 or email her at deborahjensen@childcrt.org.

